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SENATOR SCHIMEK: Yes.

SENATOR BAKER: Certainly.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Okay. Thank you.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Baker. Oh, excuse me, Senator Chambers. He waves off. Senator Baker, you're recognized to close. Senator Baker waives closing. Question before the body is the adoption of the Baker amendment. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record.

CLERK: 30 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of Senator Baker's amendment.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: The amendment is adopted.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Preister would move to amend with AM3487. (Legislative Journal pages 1337-1338.)

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Preister, you're recognized to open on your amendment.

SENATOR PREISTER: Thank you, Mr. President. Members of the Legislature, over the weekend I had a constituent contact me about problems of predators, sexual predators, being near or in schools and was interested in having some legislation to prevent those children from being victimized. Since this bill is on Select File and at this late notice I have not had the opportunity to really do the background that I normally would want to do before introducing a concept, so at the end of my introduction I will withdraw this amendment, but I do want to underscore that I think it is important that we protect our children and that we take the opportunity to ensure that in those places where they congregate, be they schools or day-care centers or youth agencies, that we do our best to try to prevent and protect those children. And so the introduction of this amendment is an effort to highlight or underscore, I think, a concern that my constituent who works in a school has and that I certainly share. I have visited with Senator Baker about this